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## INTERESTING LEGAL ARGUMENT.

In the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice this action was begun before Mr. Justice Russell on July 28th, when the evidence of Mr. Harry Edward Arnold was taken so that he might return to China. The Deutsche Bank asked for a declaration that the defendants, Messrs. H. E. and C. E. Arnold, partners in the firm of Arnold, Karberg & Co., of Shanghai, were liable to the bank for all moneys paid by the latter on the defendants' behalf on bills of exchange accepted for them by the bank, M. A. C. Clauson, K.C., for the bank, said the re-arranged defence was that the action disclosed no cause of action against the defendants. That defence, he thought, was directed to the point that the other two partners (Germans named Goetz and Niemann), being co-contractors with the defendants, were necessary parties to the action.

Mr. Clauson said the answer was first that there was a decision which made it quite clear that an action was properly brought by an enemy firm in respect of which a winding-up order had been made, as in the present case, notwithstanding the Treaty of Peace; and, second, that it so far as it was intended to raise the point that the action was deficient for want of adding the two German partners as defendants, that was a plea in abatement which was forbidden by the Judicature Act. But it was open to any joint contractor sued as defendant to apply to the Court that all his co-contractors should be added as defendants, if they were not out of the jurisdiction. He did not care about getting judgment against the two Germans, the two Englishmen were the people that he wanted judgment against. The foundation of the action, he said, was breach of contract to provide the plaintiffs, two days before due date in London, with the money necessary to meet the acceptance. Mr. Clauson read correspondence, when the Court adjourned on November 28th.

### FOR THE DEFENCE.

On the resumption on November 29th Mr. Maughan, for the defendants, argued that the action was not maintainable in its present form. The Deutsche Bank (London Agency) was being wound up under the Trading with the Enemy Acts, and could not appear as plaintiffs. The main point on the merits of the case was this: That this German bank was suing two British subjects to recover from them sums alleged to be due, and was wholly ignoring the fact that bills to the extent of many thousands of pounds had been received by the Deutsche Asiatische Bank at Shanghai as cover for their debt. The action was, in a nutshell, that the German partners were not joined as defendants, though he admitted that the action was not demurrable because the German partners were out of the jurisdiction. It was significant that, although the Controller seemed to think he was acting on behalf of British interests against two Germans, the truth was that any trouble that had arisen was ultimately due solely to the German nationality of the plaintiffs, and not to any connection with German nationality of the defendants. If the Deutsche Bank had been an English or a neutral concern, the sums received in Shanghai would have been remitted without difficulty to them, and this action would never have had any chance of being heard. As the result of the war, a bargain was made between the Deutsche Asiatische Bank and the defendants by which the proceeds of hypothecated goods should remain in that bank at Shanghai until it was possible to make remittances to London. At a date when it was anticipated that China would declare war, it was asserted certain Germans there, without the authority or consent of the defendants, took steps by which this German bank should, with the consent of the other German partners in the firm, remit sums to Germany—a wholly wrongful act, not only from the point of view of British Imperial law, but also as being a breach of contract made between the defendants and the plaintiffs. Plaintiffs were suing to recover principal and interest alleged to be due at a time when, by the default of themselves or their agents, and in breach of the contract, they had destroyed the security by handing it over to an enemy. Plaintiffs were not only claiming to recover sums alleged to be due from the defendants, but also refused to do equity by giving any credit for the thousands of marks which found way to the Deutsche Bank in Berlin. If it came to a question of account, a date would have to be taken in order to fix the rate of exchange for the time. He would submit it should be either the date when China declared war or the date of the Armistice.

His clients, he said, were people of the highest honour. Before these proceedings were begun, they had satisfied over a million pounds' worth of bills, and they were not seeking to evade their liabilities. But they did dispute the charges that they acted improperly; further they said this action against them in its present form was dishonest. They had been for months and years taking steps to pay the proceeds of hypothecated goods into the Deutsche Asiatische Bank at Shanghai, and the Deutsche Bank (London Agency) chose to sue them, as if nothing at all had been done. This was misleading to the defendants. They could have taken the tools and sold them in 1918 at 9s. 6d. each, and that, of course, they had not been able to.

When the hearing was resumed on November 30th Mr. Clauson asked what date the defendants said that money could have been remitted by the German Asiatic Bank to London?

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# CREDITS IN CHINA.

## BANKERS REVISING METHODS.

The Shanghai correspondent of the *Monarch*, *Guardian* Commercial writes:—An interesting transition has been under way in the credit methods used by banks in Shanghai and Hongkong, and also by the large trading institutions. Since the development of the very serious "frozen credit" evil of two years ago, the large banking institutions have been very careful to control business enterprise. The hard knocks that the banks in Shanghai and other parts of China have received in recent years have made bankers more careful than ever about scrutinising credit risks, and making sure that the firms behind the loans are all that should be. While the principal banks in Shanghai and Hongkong maintain large credit departments, a very careful watch is kept on the developments in the public and private lives of large borrowers. Some of the banks are now making it a rule to keep in touch with the speculative proclivities of all applicants for credits.

Formerly the banks in China laid great emphasis upon credit statements and other information respecting the financial position of large borrowers, but now it would seem the main effort is to make sure of the borrower's ability as a business man and of his integrity as a borrower. There is a reduction in the "frozen credit" account of the banks in Shanghai, and some of the banks are revising their methods of lending in accordance with the extremely valuable experience derived in the course of the last two or three years. Many bankers believe that the past two years have been the most strenuous on record, and that the difficulties and credit disturbances of the period were more troublesome and more serious than those encountered in any other year.

There is, however, an abundance of money being offered to trustworthy borrowers. Immense investments in securities have been made by banks and by individuals, in order to provide profitable employment for funds which cannot be advantageously used in other quarters. The situation is shifting somewhat from week to week, but money market conditions are still abnormal in the sense that there is a much larger fund available for employment than is ordinarily offered at this season of the year. The time is near at hand when large currency advances will be made to various centres of agricultural activity in the interior of North China for cotton and other crops.

# SIR FRANCIS AGLEN AND THE LOAN SERVICE.

A protest wired by leading local financial organisations at Shanghai in connection with the proposed usage of the internal loan reserves—the Salt and Customs surpluses—for repayment of overdraft foreign obligations, as suggested by the Diplomatic Body, brought a reply from Sir Francis Aglen, Inspector General of Customs, to whom the protest was directed.

The protest was wired by the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce, the Shanghai Bankers' Association and the Shanghai Native Bankers' Association, which bodies declared that the domestic credit of the country would be gravely damaged if the proposal were carried through and urged the Inspector General to protect the country's interests.

The reply to the telegram follows:—General Chamber of Commerce, the Shanghai Bankers' Association, and the Shanghai Native Bankers' Association, Shanghai:

"Your telegram of December 30th received. Four power note raises large question of principle affecting national credit as a whole and the Chinese Government, to whom you should address your views, must deal with it.

"Meanwhile so long as national consolidated loans service remains in my hands I shall endeavour to maintain its established priority over all other subsequent charges.

"As the question is too complicated to be dealt with by telegram I am submitting memorandum for your information.

"Please publish this reply, "AGLEN."

Mr. Sheldon said it could have been remitted either at the declaration of war by China, or the Armistice, or within a reasonable time of the bank being put into liquidation.

Mr. Justice Russell said he would not give judgment in this case until he had heard the next case, Drescher Bank (London Agency) v. Russo-Asiatic Bank, which he understood raised issues, some of which were similar to the issues in this case.

Mr. Clauson having replied for the plaintiffs, Mr. Justice Russell then reserved judgment.

# THE METHOD OF MOUNTING

spectacle glasses is of the greatest importance," writes Dr. C. Hartbridge, F.R.S., Ophthalmic Surgeon and Lecturer on Ophthalmic Surgery to the Westminster Hospital, "they must be accurately centred in frames that are light, strong and fit well, otherwise the good effect of the most carefully chosen correction may be entirely frustrated by a faulty position of the glasses, or even a fresh source of eye-strain may be introduced." The Hongkong Optical Co., successors to Clark & Co., Refracting and Manufacturing Opticians, located in Queen's Road Central, have the equipment and instruments to adjust your spectacles to a nicety.—Adv.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1923. [207]

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatsoever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATTHEW & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1923. [106]



## PANIC IN CANTON.

SUN'S TROOPS EXPECTED WITHIN THREE DAYS.

BRITISH BOATS STOP RUNNING TO WUCHOW.

The situation with regard to the march of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's troops on Canton develops rapidly, and in certain well-informed quarters the town is expected to be in the hands of Yunnanese soldiery within three days unless financial arrangements can be made to keep them out.

Some thirty thousand of Sun's troops have marched down the river the whole way from Wuchow, in practically single file. A body of Yunnanese have led the way, followed by Kwangsi troops, with more Yunnanese troops bringing up in the rear, and though Cantonese soldiers have never been very far away, they have, up to date, managed to avoid serious fighting. Indeed, from their point of view conflict could only end in disaster. Sun's troops are equipped as soldiers should be, with rifles, bayonets, good food, and warm clothing. The discipline of the Army is good, there is no dissension in their ranks, and the men themselves are physically the superiors of their opponents. On the other hand, the Cantonese Army is looked upon as little less than a rabble. They have no morale, discipline is weak, and physically the men are poor. They have little in the way of equipment, and while the generals are only too anxious for their men to fight, the soldiers themselves have no stomach for it.

Sun's main Army is expected to reach Samshui to-day, and from there they will entrain for Canton. This means that the Cantonese have lost their last chance of stopping them.

A good deal of surprise has been occasioned by the behaviour of General Chen Chiung Ming's Navy. Consisting as it does of four—some say six—two funnelled gunboats, and a large fleet of small boats about the size of harbour tugs, and carrying one gun each, it would have been a fairly 'hopeful' enterprise to have tackled the main Army in the narrow of the river, and thus stopped their further progress. But either the men have no stomach for the adventure, or the fleet has been bought over, for the Navy has fallen back without firing a shot.

The *Tai Ming* and the *Ko Chow*, the only two boats which have been running as far as Wuchow, were ordered back to Hongkong on Wednesday night by H.M. gunboat *Tarantula* (Commander C. J. Crocker, D.S.O.), when they had proceeded only as far as Samshui. Both boats were fully laden with cargo, but Samshui has lately been in the possession of four thousand Cantonese troops, and they have commandeered nearly all the cargo boats making it impossible to put any cargo ashore. Both of these boats fly the British flag, but they, like boats flying the Chinese flag, will cease running until further orders. During the last few days these two steamers have brought down a small number of European refugees, including one or two ladies. The British and American community in Samshui, small though it is, has the protection of a number of foreign gunboats H.M.S. *Tarantula*, *Cicada*, *Mooren* and *Rohin*, and the U.S.S. *Pampanga* are all on the West River. As either of these vessels could sweep the whole town with its guns, it is not expected that Europeans will be interfered with.

During the period they have been in Samshui, the Cantonese soldiers appear to have become thoroughly disliked. They have carried on looting to a large extent, have commandeered junks and cargo boats belonging to private owners, and have confiscated any foodstuffs they may have required. The Yunnanese are reputed to have more respect for civil property, and to deport themselves in more decorous manner altogether.

Meanwhile something like panic reigns in Canton, and every boat running from there to Hongkong is now bringing down an average of two thousand refugees, mostly of the better classes.

A few days ago the Civil Governor of Canton, Mr. Chan Chik Yue, removed himself and his staff into the Hotel Asia, which stands just opposite the Hongkong Canton, and Macao Steamship Co.'s wharf, in order that it might be handy should he desire to leave suddenly. Yesterday he did so, and he came down to Hongkong, which, by the way, is his original home, by the steamship *Ionian*, arriving yesterday afternoon. (Continued at foot of next column.)

## OUR JAPANESE NAVAL VISITORS.

YESTERDAY'S ENTERTAINMENT.

Yesterday morning the entertainment of the Japanese Navy in Port was continued. 400 ratings were entertained to a dinner at the City Hall. The party was marched to the Hall headed by the band of the H.M.S. *Hawkins*, which aroused a great deal of interest in the street. There were also 100 British blue jackets present at the Hall and these were invited to act as hosts for the guests. The Hongkong Hotel served up a splendid dinner, during which the band of the Hotel band played delightful music.

Before the visitors proceeded to Happy Valley, by tram, for the sports arranged by the British Navy, cheers were given for His Britannic Majesty, King George V., and His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, the two national anthems being played. The senior Japanese Naval Officer present expressed the thanks of the guests for the entertainment arranged for them and added that although the Anglo-Japanese Alliance was now at an end there was no doubt that the cordial relations existing between the two nations would always continue.

## THE POPPY DAY DRIVE.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE HONGKONG CONTRIBUTION.

Mr. A. H. Cobb, on behalf of the Poppy Day Sub-Committee, forwards a copy of the following letter of acknowledgment of the contribution made by the Colony in response to F. M. Earl Haig's Appeal for Ex-Service Men of all ranks: 1, Regent Street, S.W., 1, 5th December, 1925.

Messrs. The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 9, Gracechurch Street, E.C. 3.

Sir,—I have to acknowledge with very sincere thanks the receipt of your letter of the 29th ult. enclosing cheque value £727 1s. 1d. as the amount raised in Hongkong in connection with Earl Haig's Fund and British Legion Poppy Day.

At a time like the present, when claims upon the Fund are particularly heavy and there is every prospect of much distress during the coming winter amongst ex-Service men and their dependents, this splendid help is greatly appreciated, and I am instructed to ask you to convey the sincere thanks of Field-Marshal Earl Haig to all who participated in this generous contribution.

I have pleasure in enclosing an official receipt together with the two forms of receipt sent by you, and with renewed thanks.—I am, Yours truly, (Sgd.) W. G. WILCOX (Captain, Organizing Secretary, Appeal and Publicity Dept., British Legion).

With him there came most of his staff, including the Minister of Finance, Mr. Chung Shau Nam. The Commander-in-Chief, General Chen Chiung Ming is also reported to have left Canton.

Upon his arrival in Hongkong the Civil Governor was met by police, and went straight into a private launch to his private residence. The position in Canton was unaltered when he left.

Telegrams from Canton to the local vernacular press state that General Chen Chiung Ming left Canton on the night of the 10th, and that General Ip Kue has taken over command of the city, while Ng Pong Ping has been appointed Civil Governor. They have demanded the sum of \$3,000 from each of the Chinese banks in Canton, giving as the reason that they require the money for the adequate defence of the city. A battle has been fought at the village of Sintong, near Fatsan.

Telegrams from Fochow state that Li Ruk Lam, one of Sun's generals, has arrived at Linyow, a district of the Fukien Province, while the soldiers of General Chen Chiung Ming have retreated towards Canton.

Shanghai telegrams state that the new Chinese Premier at Peking says he will not interfere in the affairs of Kwangtung Province. He has sent a deputy to Shanghai to interview Sun's party in order to ascertain their intentions regarding Canton.

## GOOD ENOUGH FOR A FILM STORY.

ENTERPRISING CHINESE CONSTABLES' CAPTURE.

ROBBERS PURSUED IN A MOTOR-CAR.

There was a story going the rounds in police circles yesterday morning which was substantially confirmed by proceedings in the Magistracy.

For sometime past Kennedy Road and Bowen Road have been the haunts of footpads. Many pedestrians have been waylaid and robbed of their belongings. Up to yesterday the gang had outwitted the vigilance of the police. On Wednesday at noon two women were held up in Victoria Road by four men. A man seized one of the women, by her jacket, and she was told that they were going to search her. Another man threatened her with a knife. Finally they relieved her of a pair of ear-rings, valued at \$10, but refrained from carrying out their threat to search her person. The robbers made off in the direction of Aberdeen village.

Not far from the scene the terrified women came across a Chinese constable and told him their story. The constable was joined by a Chinese sergeant. A brief consultation was held and the officers decided to pursue the robbers immediately, instead of first reporting the matter to the No. 7 Station. A motor-car, belonging to the Standard Oil Company, was borrowed and the two policemen, accompanied by the women, started off in pursuit. They proceeded by way of Jubilee Road, Mount Davis and Pokfulam Road. Some distance along this last named road the four men were seen moving quietly along the road. They were completely taken by surprise and, with the point of two revolvers gleaming at them, they could do nothing but submit to capture. Later, in the possession of one of the men, the stolen ear-rings were found.

Yesterday they were brought before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy, charged with robbery with threats from one of the two women; and also with the theft of a finger ring, valued at \$3, from a school-boy, near the Jubilee Look-out. This last incident has already been reported in the local press. The boy on the 7th inst. whilst riding a bicycle was stopped and robbed.

Inspector Kent said the school-boy identified the robbers out of a parade of 30 men without the slightest hesitation. He asked for a reward as the police wished to hold further identification parades in connection with recent robberies in Bowen Road and Kennedy Road.

The case was adjourned until Saturday.

## ARRESTED BANK SHROFFS ARRIVE IN HONGKONG.

TO BE CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT OF \$50,000.

Some months ago the embezzlement of \$50,000 from the Bank of Canton was reported in the local press. Investigations by the Criminal Intelligence Department led to the issue of Magistrate's warrants for the arrest of two of the Bank's shroffs. Recently two men, answering to the description of the wanted men, were arrested by the Police in Singapore. Sub-Inspector Pincock was despatched to escort them back to the Colony. They arrived in Hongkong on Wednesday by the a.s. *Sagayan* and they will be charged before the Magistrate with embezzlement in due course when some interesting facts are expected to come to light.

## ARMED ROBBERIES.

TWO MORE CASES.

A money changer of No. 182, Praya East, has reported that at 7.15 p.m. on the 10th whilst he and his wife were having their evening meal, three men armed with revolvers entered the shop. One of the three kept watch at the door whilst the others ransacked the place. They stole from the drawers behind the counter a sum of money, amounting in all to \$132.

The other robbery took place at a copper-smith's shop, at No. 29, Battery St., Yau-mat. Five men, entered through the back door, just as the water carrier was going through the open door. They held up the shopkeeper, his wife and three visitors and bound and gagged them. The shop was searched and money and goods to the value of \$185 were stolen. From the shop-keeper's wife they stole a ring valued at \$5.

## AN UNLIKELY STORY.

AND ITS SEQUEL.

"Oh master! Oh master! your safe has been broken open and the money that was there is now missing. Come quickly and see for yourself," cried a big and perspiring contractor's foreman, of the name of Li Cheung, as he rushed into a house at Sam Shui Po on New Year's eve. The master rushed back to his matched office and found the safe door opened and that \$520 had vanished. The foreman was despatched for the police. Sub-Inspector Peter Grant's investigations led him to conclude that the theft was the work of an inmate of the office. The foreman was questioned and later detained at the station on suspicion. He subsequently offered to go with the police and show them where he had hidden the money. It was found stored away in a fireplace two doors away from the office. A bunch of skeleton keys was also found.

The incident had its sequel at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon when the foreman was charged before Mr. Lindsell, with theft and with the possession of skeleton keys.

The defendant admitted opening the safe and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. "A most deliberate and barefaced theft," was the Magistrate's comment as he passed sentence. The charge of possession of skeleton keys was dismissed, his Worship did not consider they were skeleton keys.

## SPORT.

## GOLF.

Many ladies participated in yesterday's Tombstone competition which took place at Fanling. Mr. Stewart proved the winner.

## FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

| Division I.  |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |  |  |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|--|--|
|              | P. | W. | L. | D. | P. | A. | Pts. |  |  |
| King's Regt. | 13 | 10 | 1  | 2  | 31 | 8  | 22   |  |  |
| Club         | 14 | 8  | 4  | 2  | 24 | 13 | 18   |  |  |
| Amoy         | 14 | 9  | 5  | 0  | 23 | 15 | 18   |  |  |
| Swatow       | 12 | 5  | 2  | 5  | 21 | 12 | 15   |  |  |
| Taiwan       | 12 | 5  | 3  | 4  | 14 | 13 | 14   |  |  |
| South China  | 13 | 5  | 5  | 3  | 23 | 19 | 13   |  |  |
| Tientsin     | 10 | 4  | 3  | 3  | 19 | 14 | 11   |  |  |
| Kowloon      | 12 | 4  | 5  | 3  | 14 | 18 | 11   |  |  |
| Devon        | 11 | 3  | 7  | 1  | 19 | 7  | 7    |  |  |
| R.G.A.       | 13 | 2  | 6  | 2  | 14 | 26 | 6    |  |  |
| Police       | 11 | 0  | 7  | 4  | 4  | 28 | 4    |  |  |
| Depatch      | 4  | 1  | 3  | 1  | 7  | 9  | 3    |  |  |
| Carlisle     | 4  | 1  | 5  | 0  | 7  | 18 | 2    |  |  |

| Division II. |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |  |  |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|--|--|
|              | P. | W. | L. | D. | P. | A. | Pts. |  |  |
| Swatow       | 13 | 11 | 0  | 0  | 33 | 7  | 23   |  |  |
| King's Regt. | 11 | 10 | 1  | 0  | 40 | 2  | 20   |  |  |
| St. Joseph   | 7  | 7  | 0  | 0  | 28 | 3  | 14   |  |  |
| South China  | 8  | 6  | 1  | 1  | 20 | 8  | 13   |  |  |
| United       | 10 | 5  | 3  | 2  | 18 | 13 | 12   |  |  |
| R.G.A.       | 11 | 5  | 5  | 1  | 22 | 20 | 11   |  |  |
| Tientsin     | 9  | 4  | 3  | 2  | 12 | 25 | 10   |  |  |
| Amoy         | 10 | 5  | 5  | 0  | 13 | 32 | 10   |  |  |
| South China  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 2  | 14 | 36 | 10   |  |  |
| Maroon       | 8  | 4  | 3  | 1  | 21 | 14 | 9    |  |  |
| Kowloon      | 10 | 4  | 5  | 1  | 17 | 17 | 9    |  |  |
| University   | 7  | 2  | 4  | 1  | 11 | 17 | 5    |  |  |
| Vardens      | 7  | 2  | 5  | 0  | 11 | 19 | 4    |  |  |
| Police       | 10 | 1  | 9  | 0  | 4  | 23 | 2    |  |  |
| Depatch      | 2  | 0  | 2  | 0  | 2  | 6  | 0    |  |  |
| Carlisle     | 6  | 0  | 5  | 0  | 4  | 23 | 0    |  |  |
| Auxiliaries  | 10 | 0  | 10 | 0  | 3  | 34 | 0    |  |  |

U.A.C. "AMBROSE" RESERVES.

The following will represent the United Athletic Club in above Second-Division League fixture, to-morrow on Navy "B" ground, "kick off," 2.30 p.m. sharp: F. Beach, A. Jackson and Chilton; Leonard, Mackenzie and Urquhart; Botelho, Derry, Brown, A. N. Other and Chubb.

## CRICKET.

LEAGUE MATCH.

K.C.C. 1st XI. v. NAVY C.C.

To-morrow at Kowloon, at 2.15 p.m. K.C.C. team: J. P. Robinson (capt.), C. I. Stapleton, B. D. Evans, T. M. Cockran, Capt. G. E. Spinks, C. Dimes, G. A. Hall, S. Jex, L. J. Blackburn, H. H. Bannan, B. Petheram.

TAIKOO v. H.K.C.C.

The Taikoo team for this match to-morrow:—D. H. Banner, G. A. Chadwick, E. M. Chaloner, J. D. H. Crawford, B. Crowley, A. L. Gace, E. C. Hagom, J. M. Kaye, H. W. Roger, H. Sticer, P. N. Young.

## HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club on Wednesday, 17th inst., at 5 p.m. at the U.S.H.C. Kowloon Club to play in Colours: E. W. Hamilton, G. Murray, E. C. England, Rev. N. Evans, Rev. E. W. L. Marsh, E. J. J. Mitchell, B. D. Evans (capt.), F. O. Miller, W. Woodford, F. H. Holdman and E. W. Major.

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 3169 (BEAUTIFUL GREECE ("PHI PHI") ... HARRY GLAN  
 (ANOTHER ONE GONE ("PHI PHI") ...  
 3144 (PEOPLE THAT WALKED IN DARKNESS ... NORMAN ALLEN  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY, 1923, at 11.15 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on Wednesday, 17th January, to Friday, 26th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 11th January, 1923. [213]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK AND YOKOHAMA.

THE S.S. "GOTHIC PRINCE" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on 17th Jan., 1923, at 10 A.M.

All claims must be presented within 15 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., 1923, will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by FURNESS (FAR EAST), LTD., St. George's Building.

Telephone: 3185.  
Hongkong, 11th January, 1923. [215]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER

"SOUDAN".

Arrived Hongkong on 11th JANUARY, 1923.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO &amp; STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

This vessel brings on Cargo from Persian Gulf at B.I.S.N. and B. & P.S.N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions have been given to the contrary 6 hours before arrival of the steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. GORDON & DOUGLAS at 10 a.m., on Mondays and Thursdays.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown.  
MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 11th January, 1923. [217]

## THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1923.

FEBRUARY 28th, MARCH 1st, 2nd &amp; 3rd

ENTRIES for the forthcoming Races close on SATURDAY, 27th inst., at 3 p.m., and must be sent to the JOCKEY CLUB, Room 3A, Chater Road, on or before this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the JOCKEY CLUB STALLS, JOCKEY CLUB ROOM (Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road), RACE COURSE, HONGKONG CLUB and LINSTEAD DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.

## PARTICULARS

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situated

3No. 13, WING HING STREET,

VICTORIA, HONGKONG.

To be Sold by Order of the Mortgagee

By

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON

TUESDAY,

The 30th DAY of JAN., 1923, at 3 o'clock P.M.

By

Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS

At Their Office, DUNDRELL STREET.

THE Property consists of First ALL THAT piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as SECTION 2 of INLAND LOT No. 4182 together with a messuage erected on buildings thereon now known as No. 13, Wing Hing Street and Secondly, ALL THAT strip of land at the rear of the said Section 2 of Inland Lot No. 4182 being a scavenging lane. All of which premises are held for the residue of the term of 75 years from the 15th day of May, 1918, created by the Crown Lease thereof together with the valuable machinery now situated on or upon the said premises and at No. 1 Gordon Street.

Particulars and Conditions of sale may be obtained from  
Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS,  
Solicitors,  
8, Des Voeux Road Central,  
and  
Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS,  
Auctioneers.  
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## INTIMATIONS

## NOTICE.

WE have This Day authorized Mr. LEONARD VICTOR LANG to sign our firm per proconsent.  
ARNHOLD BROTHERS & CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, January 3rd, 1923. [203]

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG PRINTING PRESS  
(PRINTING DEPARTMENT).

YE OLDE PRINTERIE LIMITED have This day purchased all the Rights and Privileges of the PRINTING DEPARTMENT of the HONGKONG PRINTING PRESS, 18, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

V. C. LABRUM,  
Manager.  
January 14th, 1923. Tel. C. 473. [195]

## NEWS FROM THE OLD COUNTRY.

SEND 13/- and we will mail you regularly every week for 52 weeks a copy of any British Weekly Newspaper, such as: Lloyd's, People, Tit Bits, Pearson's, etc., etc. Hundreds of papers on our Big List mailed free. A different paper sent weekly, or the same publication for 52 weeks. 13/- pays for a year's subscription, including postage. Most unique and up-to-date service, greatly appreciated by members throughout the Empire.

Send 13/- to-day to  
PERIODICAL POSTING CO.,  
PLYMOUTH, ENGLAND. [178]

## DOG &amp; POULTRY SHOW.

A Meeting of those interested in promoting a Dog, Cat, Poultry & Cage Bird Show will be held on FRIDAY NEXT (January 12th) at 5.15 P.M. in the Supreme Court, by kind permission of His Honour Sir WILLIAM REXES DAVIS, Kt., who has also kindly consented to preside.

Will any Lady or Gentleman competent to judge in any of the above Classes kindly send their names to me before the date of the Meeting.  
B. L. FROST.  
179] c/o The E. E. Telegraph Co.

## DOCKYARD RECREATION CLUB.

THE ANNUAL BALL will be held in the Club Hall on FRIDAY, 18th JANUARY, at 9 P.M.  
Tickets can be obtained from  
H. W. SANDFORD,  
Hon. Secretary.  
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## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG AND CANTON ICE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, 25th day of JANUARY, 1923, at noon for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1922.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 25th January, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order,  
THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.,  
General Managers,  
(Sgd.) J. D. THOMSON,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, 8th January, 1923. [193]

## THE HONGKONG CENTRAL ESTATE, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY, 1923, at 11.45 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on Wednesday, 17th January, to Friday, 26th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,  
Secretary.  
to the General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1923. [202]

## THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, 26th JANUARY, 1923, at 11 o'clock noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1922.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,  
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 8th January, 1923. [201]

## START THE NEW YEAR

WELL!

Join the ranks of Hongkong's Discriminating

Smokers, by securing your Supplies at the

HONGKONG CIGAR STORE,

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Everything for the smoker.

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## INTIMATIONS

## NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANTONIO H. BASTO, A.M.R.A., M.C.I., M.A.M.I., has, from the 1st day of JANUARY, 1923, been admitted a Partner in our firm.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that as from this Date our Firm Name will be RAVEN & RASTO.  
R. RAVEN & R. RASTO,  
Oriental Commercial Bank Buildings,  
Hongkong, January 10th, 1923. [212]

## NOTICE.

CUSTOMERS and Others concerned are Notified that from 1st JANUARY, 1923, Mr. J. E. OLLERTON took over the Management of the INTERNATIONAL TRADE DEVELOPERS, Ltd., for Hongkong and South China with Power of Attorney to sign as such. No other person except as authorized by Mr. J. E. OLLERTON is empowered to act for the INTERNATIONAL TRADE DEVELOPERS, Ltd.

H. H. KENTON,  
Manager for China & F.I.  
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## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

## ICE CREAM.

WE hereby beg to remind our numerous Customers that their Orders for ICE CREAM must be placed 24 hours before delivery is required. [196]

## G. R. WANTED.

CHINESE ASSISTANT MASTERS able to teach the Usual English Subjects Candidates should apply in writing to the DIRECTOR of Education giving full particulars of qualifications and experience. [213]

## TO LET.

TWO OFFICE ROOMS, Top Floor, 6, Queen's Road Central.  
Apply  
GANDE, PRICE & CO., LTD.  
[200]

## TO LET.

FURNISHED from April next, No. 144A, Barker Road, Peak, Eight Rooms. Also a furnished six-roomed house at Deep Water Bay near the Golf Links.  
Apply to  
199] DENISON, RAM & GIBBS.

## TO LET.

OFFICES in UNION BUILDING—Four Rooms on Fifth Floor.  
Apply  
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD. [169]

## TO LET.

FURNISHED, for One Year or Eighteen Months, from 1st April, 1923.  
"BERWICK LANE" No. 155, Peak, 5-roomed Bungalow with Tennis Court and Garden, on Motor Road at Magazine Gap.  
Apply  
170] LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Alexandra Buildings.

## TO LET.

ONE Large OFFICE ROOM in POWELL'S BUILDING.  
Apply  
LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD. [164]

## TO LET.

FROM 1st June—Eight and Four Room HOUSES.  
Apply P. O. Box 259 [160]

## HOUSES FOR SALE AT THE PEAK

NEAR MOTOR ROAD

FOR SALE, either together (suitable for a Mess), or separately, with early possession, Nos. 2 and 3, STEWART TERRACE, PEAK.  
Apply to H. K. POLLOCK,  
Princes Building. [158]

## FOR SALE

"BENTLEY'S" Complete Phrase CODE New \$15.00 Max. "ADDIATOR" Calculating Machine. Adds, subtracts, multiplies, divides. New \$15.00 Max. Postage Free. N. Y. NOVELTY CO., 31, Nanking Road, Shanghai. [158]

## THE CORONET.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY.

HOMESPUN FOLKS.

THE BELL HOP.

KOWLOON THEATRE.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY.

THE SIN OF

MARTHA QUEED

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## INTIMATION

## Burnett's

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## London Dry Gin

Unique in Character and Flavour.

Quality Unequalled.

GIVES THAT DISTINCTIVE EXCELLENCE TO A COCKTAIL.

Blends Excellently with Watson's Stone Ginger Beer.

## SOLE AGENTS:—

A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LTD.

Wine &amp; Spirit Merchants.

PHONE CENTRAL 816.

## MARRIAGE.

QUIN—RODIONOFF.—At His Britannic Majesty's Consulate and Kinak Church, Swatow, on January 8th, ALFRED ELLIOTT QUIN, of Canton, to Mrs. VALENTINE ALEXIEVNA RODIONOFF, Swatow. [216]

HONGKONG OFFICE: 104, Des Voeux Rd., C.  
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 12TH, 1923.

## RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

ADMIRAL STARK'S flotilla, which when it reached Woosung nearly two months ago, had on board 1,682 "White" Russian refugees, has left for an "unknown destination." Admiral STARK has not taken away with him as many refugees as he brought to Shanghai. While the Chinese authorities refused permission for any of Admiral STARK's company to land, we are told by the N.C. Daily News that "for reasons best known to themselves the Chinese enforced the order with about as much purpose as they have shown of late years in preventing the reintroduction of opium-poppo culture." Large numbers of refugees brought by these ships landed at Shanghai. "Every day since the arrival of the flotilla," our contemporary says, "Russians—men, women and children—have been plodding their weary way along the Woosung high road to Shanghai." All these people have been dumped in Shanghai, apparently; at least it was admitted by a leading Russian resident of Shanghai last week that when, if ever, the ships left Woosung there was no intention of taking on board the refugees who came on them and had been unable to find permanent employment on shore. So we may take it that the colony of destitute Russian refugees—estimated last year at something like two thousand persons—has now been augmented by many hundreds. Eight hundred is the estimated number who have landed at Shanghai to swell the ranks of the "hundreds of others who... have been living for months by begging, on charity and some few by roguery." What is to become of them is a problem left for the local community to determine.

As our Shanghai contemporary says:

"Eight hundred experienced business men, speaking English and Chinese, could not at the present time be guaranteed employment in the whole of China at \$250 per month. If this be doubted, it will be asked, why otherwise are the Chambers of Commerce, the national societies, the Consulates, the United Services Association and other bodies inundated with requests from competent and steady men to find them any sort of employment? The demand for foreign casual labour here or anywhere else in China is nil." The latest batch of Russian refugees are "mostly with no experience outside the Army and Navy."

Rather than trust the assurances of the Red authorities, who offered to allow them to return to Vladivostok in a given time, they have preferred to risk starvation in a foreign land. If only 800 have landed at Shanghai there must be still an equal number left on Admiral STARK'S ships, and, if so, it becomes a matter of interest to other ports in the Far East—and Hongkong particularly as being the largest—to know what is to become of them.

It was said a few weeks ago that Admiral STARK, if he could not land his human freight in the Far East, intended to take his flotilla to Europe. If that is the "unknown destination" for which the ships have departed, it is not improbable that Hongkong may be a port of call.

Unlike Shanghai, Tientsin, Newchwang and some other Northern ports, Hongkong and the ports of South China have so far had no Russian refugee problem to deal with, but if Admiral STARK'S ships should call here it is only to be expected that an attempt will be made to dump some of his human freight here as he has done at Shanghai. There is no prospect of any employment in Hongkong for Russian refugees. If they are determined not to return to Russia, it seems to us that Australia or the United States would offer greater opportunities of employment than can be found in any of the ports or countries of the Far East, or even in Europe at the present time.

The Anti-Mui Tsi Society are holding their meeting to-morrow. The announcement that it would be held yesterday was made inadvertently.

H.M.S. *Irifogueis* was commissioned at Devonport last month by Com. O. W. Tinson, preparatory to leaving for the China Station, to replace the surveying ship H.M.S. *Merlin*.

There was an outbreak of fire at No. 4, Greson Street, yesterday evening. The Central Fire Brigade received the call and one of the first engines was sent to the scene. The outbreak turned out to be merely a chimney fire, which was soon extinguished.

In connection with the Universal Week of Prayer being observed by all the Christian Bodies throughout the world, a meeting is being held this evening (Friday) at 6 o'clock in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon. Members from the different local Churches will take part.—Adv.

Subject to audit the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., will pay a final dividend of \$8 per share and bonus of \$8.

The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., will pay a dividend of \$5.25 per share and bonus of \$110 per share.

The Hongkong Central Estate, Ltd., will pay a final dividend of \$6 per share.

CORRESPONDENCE  
THE SALUTING FARCE.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—We are in entire disagreement with "Anti-Blasting's" recommendation for the removal of such an ancient and historic mode of salutation to greet and welcome our occasional visitors to our great port. Why should we civilians not enjoy the resonant thundering of cannon, which tells us as we toil at our desk that our representatives and brothers in the Service are still in the harbour and close at hand to prevent any rude rupture to our present tranquillity?

We would remind "Anti-Blasting" that in his short letter he is attempting to wipe out an ancient and historical practice which forms an essential support of Brock's Firework Factory.

Why rob us of our Fireworks!—Yours ever,  
"PRO-BLASTING."  
Hongkong, January 11th, 1923.

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## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.)

## CHINESE POLITICAL SITUATION.

LEADERS SPARRING FOR POSITION.

PEKING, January 10th.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen has sent a letter to the Premier stating that he recognises the Premier's high qualifications and knows that he (Chang Shou-tseng) advocates peaceful reunification. Sun Yat Sen hopes that the Premier will settle the discord which has prevailed in past years.

Wang Ju Chin the Defence Commissioner on the Upper Yangtze, arrived at Ichang on January 8th. It is believed he will assist Yang Sen to re-establish the latter's position at Szechuan.

Sun Chuan Fang is apparently working to establish himself in Kiangsi and drive out Tsai Cheng Shun. For the present Sun Chuan Fang is consolidating his position at South Nanchang. His forces are much superior to Tsai Cheng Shun's, hence the latter will probably be forced to withdraw from the province without fighting.

PARIS, January 9th.  
The Senate resumed the discussion on the reconstruction of the Banque Industrielle de Chine. Senator Delahaye and Senator Jenouvrier opposed the measure, and the debate adjourned till Friday.

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## CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

FRANCO-GERMAN DISPUTE.  
GREAT EXCITEMENT IN  
ESSEN.

ESSEN, January 10th.

The city is in a state of great excitement at the prospect of the imminent French advance and the crowds which are thronging the streets think and talk of nothing else. Every train arriving at Duesseldorf from Cologne brings further troops.

FRENCH TROOPS ARRIVE AT  
ESSEN.

ESSEN, January 10th.

The French troops arrived at 10.30 this morning.

A WAVE OF PROTEST SWEEPING  
GERMANY.

BERLIN, January 9th.

A wave of protest against the invasion of the Ruhr is sweeping the entire country. The Prussian, Saxony, Bavaria and Wurttemberg Diets have passed resolutions of protest. The news of the American withdrawal from the Ruhr caused a great outburst of enthusiasm at a meeting of the Foreign Affairs Committee in the Reichstag. The coming Saturday has been proclaimed a day of mourning in all the Prussian State Schools.

AMERICAN VIEW REGARDING  
FRENCH ACTION.

LONDON, January 9th.

The Times Washington correspondent says that French action in regard to the Ruhr is viewed with anger and repulsion, and the American and French Governments are rapidly drifting into a situation wherein any effective co-operation for long will be impossible.

EARLIER CABLES.

NINE FRENCH DIVISIONS FOR  
THE RUHR.

AMSTERDAM, January 10th.

The morning papers state that nine French divisions, comprising one hundred and twenty thousand men, will participate in the action in the Ruhr, "as if an enemy position were about to be attacked." The German railway authorities have been ordered to hold seventy-three military trains in readiness for the French, who will not only occupy the mines and factories but also the railways, bridges and viaducts as a precautionary measure against sabotage.

MILITANT COMMUNISTS UNDER  
ARREST.

PARIS, January 10th.

Several militant Communists, not including Marcel Cachin, who is at Essen, have been arrested on a charge of endangering the safety of the State by anti-French propaganda, particularly lectures and articles in Germany.

BERLIN, January 10th.

The Rhenish Westphalian Coal Syndicate has decided to transfer its head office from Essen to Hamburg. The Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung states that Krupp will try to continue work normally in order to avoid unemployment. It is reported that the Minister of Food, Doctor Luther, intends to resume the burghomastership of Essen.

OBJECTS OF FRENCH OCCUPATION  
EXPLAINED.

PARIS, January 10th.

A note handed to the German Ambassador says that in consequence of the default in coal and timber deliveries recorded by the Reparations Commission, the French Government deems it necessary to send a mission of engineers to the Ruhr to control these deliveries. The note does not indicate the places where members of the mission will take up quarters, but it mentions that troops will accompany the mission, with the sole object of assuring its safety and maintaining order at the points of control.

BRUSSELS, January 10th.

The Note states that Italy is also sending a mission, and emphasizes that the operation is in no way a military or political one, and no disturbance will be caused to the normal life of the population. It warns the staff administration and representatives of the industrial and commercial bodies that they must conform to the orders of the mission, under penalty of severe sanctions.

The Foreign Minister has notified Germany of the measures to be taken owing to her default similarly to France.

GERMANY COMMENCES PASSIVE  
RESISTANCE.

BERLIN, January 10th.

An indication of the German methods to deal with the French occupation is given in the announcement that the headquarters of the Coal Syndicate have been removed from Essen to Hamburg, thus depriving the Ruhr mining companies of their central organization of the sale of their products. It is pointed out here that the French will therefore be obliged to deal with the companies individually or create their own syndicate. The latter measure will be difficult because the German syndicate has already sent all its documents and books to Hamburg. The *Mittel Zeitung* says all the big manufacturers in the Ruhr and their managers and engineers will leave the district when the French enter Essen.

GERMANS FEAR ANGLO-AMERICAN  
WITHDRAWAL.

COLOGNE, January 10th.

The French Rhine flotilla stationed at Mayence is proceeding to Duesseldorf, Ruhrort and Duisburg to-night. The French Rhine flotilla is a considerable fleet comprising converted Rhine steamers and armed motor launches of the British pattern, able to navigate the network of the Ruhr canals. Schoolwork has been partly suspended at Duesseldorf, where numerous schools and forty hotels have been requisitioned by the French. The Germans have already supplied forty-three of the seventy-three trains demanded by the French, whose advance guard is moving by road, and the remainder by rail. Essen and Muelheim will be the first objectives, and after that Bochum and Gelsenkirchen. The attitude of the Germans in the British area is venomously anti-French. A large and irresponsible section of the population favours active resistance. The wildest rumours are afloat, and fears are expressed lest the British and American troops be withdrawn.

AMERICAN OCCUPATION FORCES  
RECALLED.

WASHINGTON, January 10th.

President Harding has recalled the American troops from the Rhine.

NEW YORK, January 10th.

The transport *St. Michel* sails to-day or to-morrow to repatriate the American troops on the Rhine.

WASHINGTON, January 10th.

The announcement of the withdrawal of the American troops from the Rhine followed a conference at the White House, attended by Messrs. Hughes and Weeks. The immediate inference in many quarters was that the withdrawal should be interpreted as a protest rather than an attempt to avoid possible trouble, as a result of the French advance. It is now reported that President Harding's order followed a notification from France to the effect that she intended to proceed with the occupation of the Ruhr despite definite knowledge that this would entail the withdrawal of the American troops.

BERLIN, January 10th.

The Government has decided to recall the Ambassadors from Paris and Brussels, who have been instructed to leave their offices in charge of the diplomatic counsellors.

ACTIVITIES OF THE VARIOUS  
GOVERNMENTS.

BERLIN, January 10th.

The German Government is making a worldwide protest against the French and Belgian measures, through its diplomatic representatives, who have been instructed to submit a comprehensive statement to the Powers to whom they are accredited, complaining of a breach of the Peace Treaty and of international law.

WASHINGTON, January 10th.

In the Senate, Mr. Reed advocated the recall of Mr. Boyden, the American representative on the Reparations Commission, declaring he was an unofficial mediator, capable of much harm as an official spokesman.

ROME, January 10th.

According to the newspapers the Foreign Office is elaborating a new plan designed to solve the reparations problems, the details of which will be worked out between France, Italy, Belgium and Germany. It is noteworthy that Britain is not mentioned.

EXCHANGE MARKET REMAINS  
NERVOUS.

LONDON, January 10th.

Exchanges continued nervous, but were improving towards the close. Sterling in New York is quoted at 4.83. The French franc is quoted at 67.20 and the Belgian franc at 73.35. The lire is at 83.2. Marks have depreciated to 49.00.

## AMERICA AND BRITAIN.

WASHINGTON, January 10th.

The preliminary negotiations as regards the funding of the British debt have convinced American officials that a modification of the rate of interest for the duration of the debt fixed by the present American law will be necessary in order to reach a settlement, and a tentative plan must be framed for submission to Congress. Both Houses have debated the funding negotiations. Mr. Barton, one of the American debt commissioners, speaking in the House of Representatives, urged them to give the most moderate terms possible for payment, for Britain stood with her back to the wall.

NEW YORK, January 10th.

The papers are unenthusiastic in their praise of Mr. Baldwin's straightforward and masterly exposition of the debt situation, and urge Congress to make an agreement on the easiest terms possible.

LATEST CABLES.

## OPIUM COMMISSION.

METHODS OF CONTROL TO BE  
DISCUSSED.

GENEVA, January 9th.

The Opium Commission has been informed by Turkey and Persia that they propose to ratify the convention. The Commission has decided to invite Switzerland and certain South American States to enforce the convention.

Mr. J. Campbell (India) proposed a discussion on methods of controlling opium in regions where control does not yet exist.

CALCUTTA WATERSIDE  
STRIKE.CITY PARALYSED AS RESULT  
OF LOCKOUT.

CALCUTTA, January 9th.

The city is again paralysed, in consequence of a complete lockout which has been declared in reply to the waterside strike. Then have been some disorders.

EARLIER CABLES.

## LAUSANNE DISCUSSIONS.

MORE REASONABLE ATTITUDE OF  
TURKS.

LAUSANNE, January 10th.

An important result has been reached at a meeting of the commission for the exchange of populations, which is that the Turks abandon their policy regarding the Greek Ristars, who will remain at Constantinople and be deprived of his temporal powers, and the Greek inhabitants will be permitted to remain at Constantinople.

The Turkish inhabitants are to be allowed to remain in West Thrace, but the only Greeks who will be allowed to remain in Constantinople are the arrivals after October, 1918. Lord Curzon has expressed his gratification at the change of attitude by the Turks. The consensus of opinion of the delegates is that this is the most satisfactory meeting of the conference so far.

## INDIAN DISTURBANCES.

## AGITATORS SENTENCED TO DEATH.

LUCKNOW, January 10th.

The cases of murder and arson arising out of a non-cooperation attack on a police station in Chauri Chaura district, Gorakhpur, in February, have concluded. Out of 223 accused, 47 have been acquitted, 173 sentenced to death, and two to two years' imprisonment. Six men died whilst under trial, and one has been discharged.

## M.C.C. TOURING TEAMS.

## BOTH SCORE A WIN.

BIRMINGHAM, January 10th.

The M.C.C. compiled 325 (Russell 110). The Free State eleven replied with 120, and the M.C.C. thus won by an innings and thirty-five runs.

TIMARU, N.Z., January 10th.

The M.C.C. beat South Canterbury by an innings and 204.

## BRITISH TRADE.

## OVERSEAS FIGURES.

LONDON, January 10th.

The British overseas trade figures for last year are—Imports £1,004,000,000 compared with £1,035,000,000 in 1921; and exports £730,000,000, compared with £703,000,000.

## DUTCH COLONIAL LOAN.

AMSTERDAM, January 10th.

It is understood that the forthcoming issue of an East Indies Loan forms part of the twelve milliard guilders sanctioned in 1921 but not yet completely called up.

## A POPULAR INVESTMENT.

LONDON, January 10th.

The Anglo-Persian Oil Co.'s subscription lists for the new shares closed shortly after opening.

## ITALIAN RADIO TELEGRAMS.

ROME, January 2nd.—The world-famous economist Pareto has accepted an invitation to participate in the Commission of Limitation of Armaments.

Rome, January 2nd.—The Holy See denies the news published in the *Berliner Tagblatt* that the Pope had sent an official appeal to America regarding Europe's reconstruction. The Pope has only manifested privately his hope that America will participate in that rebuilding work in aid of humanity and international civilization.

Genoa, January 2nd.—Two warm-water Raphael's paintings representing the Holy Trinity have been found and will be restored by Professor Zanichelli.

Rome, January 2nd.—An official statement dealing with the unfavourable condition of Italian emigration in the United States, Argentina and Brazil announced that a special financial organization will be created to handle emigration.

Rome, January 2nd.—At the next conference of the League of Nations, Italy will be represented by ex-Premier Salandra, in place of Ambassador Imperiali.

Rome, January 2nd.—Italy beat Germany 3 goals to 1 in a football match.

## THE MUI-TSAI BILL.

DR. YEUNG SHIU CHUEN'S  
SPEECH.

The following is a full translation of the speech delivered by Dr. Yeung Shiu Chuen at the *Kaiyong* meeting held on the 10th inst. at the Tung Wah Hospital. Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,—I am glad that the opportunity is afforded me a *Kaiyong* to be present here to-day to express my opinion in the matter of the Mui Tsai Abolition Bill. It is learnt from local papers that because the Government is desirous of abolishing mui tsai, this meeting has been convened in order to find out whether the Bill does or does not obstruct or impede our Chinese customs, or usage. This Bill directly concerns 3 parties, viz. (1) the mui tsai; (2) parents of mui tsai; and (3) the owners of the mui tsai.

With regard to (1) it has been proved that the Bill does not injure the mui tsai. Since that public meeting at the Tai Ping Theatre in August, 1921, two societies have been formed, viz. the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Mui Tsai, and the Anti-Mui Tsai Society. These Societies have made it their special business to make full investigations as to how the Mui Tsai question should be taken up. The Secretary of Chinese Affairs, instructed by the Home Government, got the two Societies to each nominate 7 full-power delegates to form a Special Commission for the purpose of advising the Government as to what would be the best way to deal with this Mui Tsai question. The unanimous recommendations of this Special Commission were accordingly forwarded to the Government, from which recommendations the Government has drafted the present Abolition Bill, which has passed its first reading. It must be emphasized that "abolition" was one of the recommendations of that Special Commission, the members of which had been drawn from the two societies. From this it can be known how many stages the question has been through, so that it can be safely said that the mui tsai will not be injured when the Abolition Bill is passed.

(2) There is really no impediment to the mui tsai's mother. Some time last month a lady came to inform me that she sold her daughter to be a mui tsai. When the child was 8 years old for \$90. The mui tsai is now 11 years old and she (the mother) found that the daughter of the owner of the mui tsai was about to be married and that the mui tsai would be given as a *Chong Kar Mui* (part of the bride's trousseau). "I do not like this," she said, "because I do not know what hands my daughter may go into. What shall I do?" I replied: "Go and ask the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for assistance." Two days after the lady came again and I asked her what had happened. She said that the Secretary for Chinese Affairs had advised her to see the "owner" who had bought her for \$90 to redeem her daughter but was refused, and was told that because the mui tsai had been living with him (the owner) for so long, \$90 would not be enough. He asked for \$130, an amount equal to double the cost price, before he would part with the mui tsai.

I then asked the lady at which place the sale took place. She said in Hongkong. I asked, did the Secretary for Chinese Affairs know about the sale? "Yes," she said. I was quite surprised to learn that human beings could be sold here in Hongkong, because it is against the law. She then informed me that at the S.C.A. office she said she presented the child to the "owner" and the price paid was to be "owner's money." From this I know that she had cheated herself and I told her that she must go to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for assistance, being that I was just awaiting news from the Government in regard to the recommendations of our Anti-Mui Tsai Society. The lady then left.

From this it can be seen that when the Abolition Law comes into force the mothers of mui tsai need no longer feel anxious, for they can regain possession of their daughters, even without money. Who of us here to-day, who is philanthropic, does not wish the reunion of parent and daughter, bone and flesh? If a person dying from thirst saw drinking water brought to him, how happy would he feel! That kind of feeling is the feeling of the mothers of mui tsai to-day.

(3) Neither does this Abolition Bill injure the owners. Those who have money to buy mui tsai can easily money servants to take the place of mui tsai. It is the owners only that would feel the change of an old custom. I recollect when we Chinese cut our queues, I was one of the originators of queue cutting. When the hair cutter began to cut mine I, even, felt a sort of strange feeling, for my queue had been in my company for several tens of years and when I had to part with it suddenly I felt for a moment the break with the old custom. But when it was cut, how joyful I felt! By just bearing one moment's uneasiness, I am now enjoying years of comfort. So it is with this Mui Tsai question.

Some one has said that unless the economic conditions in China improve, abolishing the Mui Tsai system would only mean driving the distressed families to destruction. They assert that by buying one member of a family, the rest of that family would be saved. In short, they mean that unless mui tsai are purchased the distress in China would not be alleviated. This is not true. Kwangtung is now poor financially, for its banks have not even market value. Although it is so poor, yet the Government does not find it advisable to revive gambling in order to get more revenue. How can buying and selling human beings in this Colony of Hongkong help its poor Government, in order to help China? Let us blot out the shameful act without delay. From latest official investigations there are 8,653 mui tsai in Hongkong. Now can it be said that the purchase of these 8,653 mui tsai will help China—as big as she is to-day?

In the recent Swatow Typhoon Calamity, how is it that our philanthropic community did not form a society to buy up all the daughters of the distressed families in order to alleviate them? Because they know that is not the way to show philanthropy. Instead, they subscribed large sums of money and contributed clothing, food, medicine, etc., to relieve the distress. So we can say buying human beings does not relieve anything.

Somebody said that there must be work in China for these distressed ones before abolition can be successful. Let me tell you that in America, when President Lincoln emancipated the black slaves, the owners of the slaves said that it was impossible for the slaves, were a helpless lot and if set free would starve. If America had waited until the slaves got educated, etc., I think they would have remained slaves to-day. Several weeks ago Dr. Eddy, in the course of his series of lectures, informed us that these Black slaves have now organised many Universities and Churches. Is it not wonderful? Need we wait any longer, then, before we abolish these mui tsai? Would the Black slaves have ever dreamt of their present situation?

Someone mentioned bound feet as a comparison. They say as time changed that custom so time would also automatically stamp out the Mui Tsai system. The gentleman who said this, may be likened to a rich man's son who when he is born sees gold around him and thinks that the gold was obtained without any effort on the part of his ancestors. Let me tell you this. The binding of feet was only changed after much propaganda work of a society called the "Natural Feet Society." They issued posters, pictures, booklets, and even photographs of a bound foot, showing the sections of twisted bones and broken flesh. This had a successful effect—an effect essentially great in view of the fact that in China in those days women who did not bind their feet could not be married as a first wife (as distinguished from a concubine), and yet, disregarding this, women started to do away with the bad custom. Therefore, the doing away with bound feet was not due to time. Neither will time be able to effect the abolition of Mui Tsai system, unless we take up the matter and abolish it at once. If it was not for the work of the "Natural Feet Society" women might still be seen everywhere to-day helplessly walking, clinging to walls and railings for support.

Somebody said that abolishing mui tsai means giving chances to the "Tortoise" to buy "adopted" daughters for prostitution. Well, we must know that we should deal with one thing at a time. If we find the Mui Tsai system bad we should abolish it. If we find that people are trying to evade the Law by buying girls under the pretence of "adopting" them, then perhaps it will be time for us to meet that situation.

Another speaker was afraid that when the Abolition Bill became law the Police and detectives would be continuously going to their homes to worry them in order to make investigations. This statement is only used to cloak the situation. Do we not have to register births and deaths at present? Do we not have to report vaccination at present? And how is it that the Government does not worry us by sending police and detectives to our homes? After the Abolition Bill becomes law, the defaulters will be dealt with properly by the Government. You need not be afraid of harsh treatment, for mui tsai are not opium or contraband; they cannot be hidden in holes, and so the police and detectives will not worry you as much as you may think they would.

Someone again, said the Abolition Bill affords opportunities for bad people to secure mui tsai when they are of age and then sell them. Let me tell them that they need not worry. When the mui tsai is of age they can get married, but if for various reasons they do not marry they can declare themselves spinsters and work as amahs. Whether before or after the Abolition Bill the spinster mui tsai is free, and what difference is there in regard to the opportunities afforded the bad people in securing them for resale? Can the owners protect them after they become spinsters? It is no use worrying about this even if one-tenth of the 8,653 mui tsai should be so unfortunately placed, is not the sacrifice worth while in order to abolish for ever this shameful Mui Tsai system? When the registration part of the Abolition Bill comes into force the mui tsai would get more protection from the Government as a result of the registration and the bad people would find it more difficult to carry out their evil intentions.

If we should find the Bill somewhat too severe what we ought to do is to help the Government to amend its severity. There is a Chinese saying: "How can it be a wise motive to stop eating because our throat has slight trouble?"

Again, someone said that it would be sinful to support this Abolition Bill. The gentleman who said this was one of those seven full-power delegates of the Prevention Society too. Does he think that members of the Home Government concerned in the matter, the Legislative Council of Hongkong, the S.C.A. and the 14 members of that Special Commission are all fools in drafting the Bill?

With these remarks I wish to support the Abolition of Mui Tsai Bill which has passed its first reading in the Legislative Council, and I earnestly hope that all of us here to-day, whom I imagine are philanthropic people, will join me in urging the Hongkong Government to pass this Abolition Bill in its present form, bringing registration in as soon as advisable.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

## EDUCATION AND PATRIOTISM.

## JAPAN AS A SHINING EXAMPLE.

Speaking at a Japanese bazaar, organised by the staff and pupils of Hendon County School with the object of raising funds for their library, on Nov. 24th, Viscount Burnham said he was glad they had taken Japan as the style and title of their effort. There was no country in the world which afforded so shining an example of the miracles that education could effect as the Japanese Empire. If that Empire had been revived and created anew it was more than anything else by the immense care it had given to civic education in all its branches. He did not pretend that there was not a great deal done in the feudal days of old Japan to train up the youth of the country in those traditions of chivalry which we associated with the word Bushido, but the whole of the modern equipment and knowledge and skill which enabled Japan successfully to compete not only in the market-places, but in the general arena of the world, was owing to the manner in which the Japanese had set themselves to come right up to the standards of modern requirements both in intellectual fitness and in manual dexterity. He had been much struck during the two years that he had presided over the International Labour Conference by the efficiency and the devotion of the Japanese delegations. Among all the fifty nations represented in the conference, he did not think any had come up to the Japanese in the number that they had brought to the work, and certainly none had exceeded them in the scrupulous and conscientious manner in which they had attended to every detail of the proceedings. They treated these things very seriously, and the inquiries they made as to the industrial and social conditions of this continent and Great Britain were carried out with a minute care and an intelligent appreciation that they could not find excellence anywhere. There was one thing they must always recollect about the Japanese. The key-note of their educational system was patriotism—the entire devotion of every citizen to the State, and, of course, to its incarnation, as they regarded it, in their Emperor. He was not in favour, perhaps, of too much of what was called "flag-wagging," but he recollected that in those two great countries which stood out as being the pattern and example of our modern progress—the United States of America and the Japanese Empire—they were not ashamed of "flag-wagging." There was not a common school in America in which on the festival days the children did not carry the National Flag and sing the national song, and there was not one in Japan in which likewise they were not fond of making a parade of the faith that was in them, instead of being, as we were to often, a little shame-faced in its exhibition for fear we should be thought to be of a flimsy turn of mind. He mentioned this as an example, because he thought there was room in our school system for a little more "flag-wagging." Although things were different to what they had been, and although Empire Day was celebrated in our schools with much enthusiasm and much profit, still there was a good deal of ground to make up, and a good deal more that could be done in the same direction. (Cheers.)

## JAPANESE CREDIT.

In the House of Commons on November 29th, Commander Belhairs asked the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether he was aware that P. Heath and Co. had been kept out of a large sum of money due to them from the South Manchurian Railway Company for steel plates ordered through them by the railway company during the war; that the railway company repudiated this contract after the armistice, and were endeavouring to evade payment by protracted legal proceedings which may go on for several years; and whether, having regard to the relations of this railway company with the Japanese Government, diplomatic representations may be made on the detrimental effect of this repudiation of Japanese credit.

Mr. McNeill: I understand that Messrs. P. Heath and Co.'s claim is not directly against the South Manchurian Railway Company, but against another Japanese firm, Messrs. Nishikawa and Co.; and that Messrs. Heath have instituted proceedings against this firm in the Japanese Courts. His Majesty's Ambassador at Tokyo has been for a long time past giving such attention and assistance as he properly can to Messrs. Heath and Co.'s case, and was again instructed recently to do his best to expedite proceedings.

THE MERCHANT CLASS AND THE  
BILL.

The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce at an extraordinary general meeting held last week decided to approach the various Chambers of Commerce, regarding the proposed mui tsai legislation. The Chambers were circulated bulletins are still a number of replies outstanding. Until such time as all replies are received the matter will be held in abeyance so far as the merchants are concerned. The two Chinese members of the Legislative Council—the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son and the Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tee—have already been asked by a resolution from the members of the Chinese General Chamber to oppose the measure, and the expression of opinion from the other Chambers is sought with a view to confirming this resolution.



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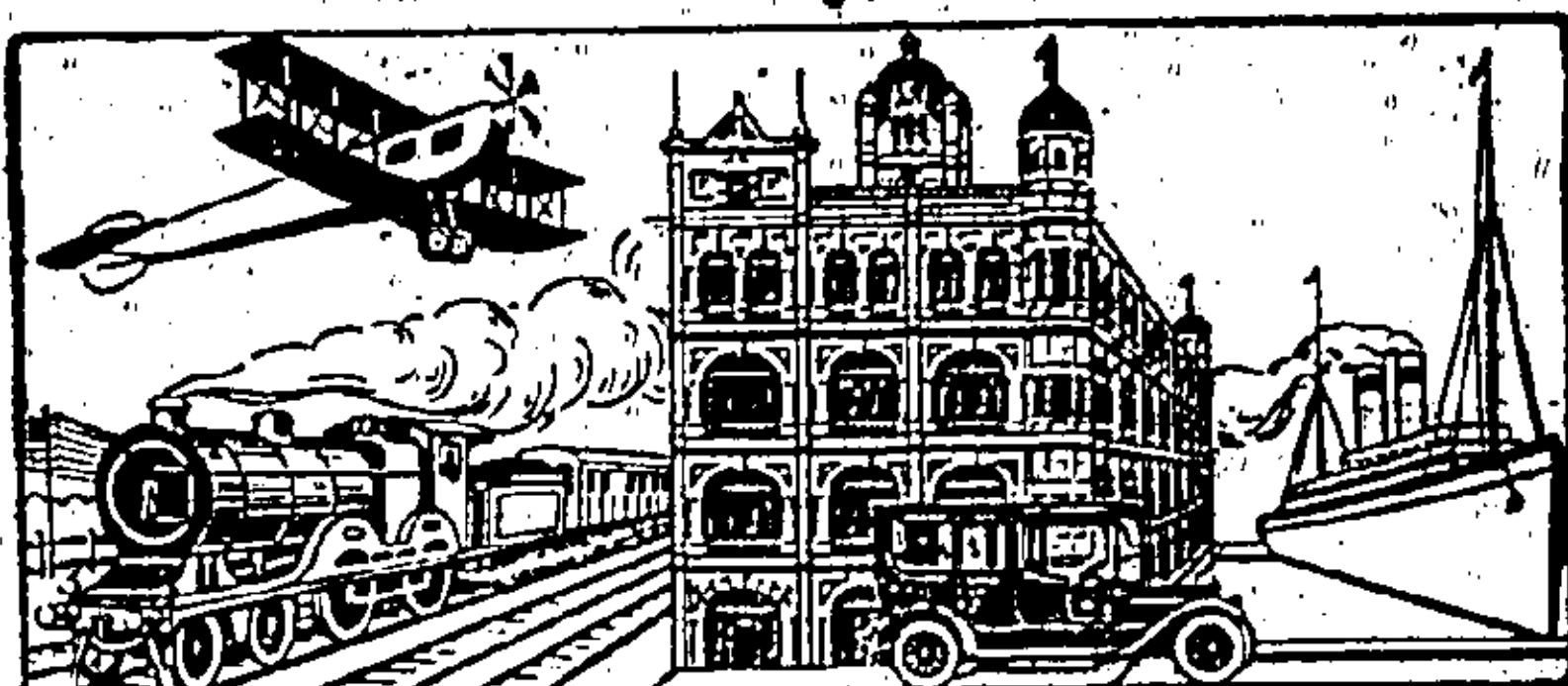
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OPERATION.

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daring jazz hues, and skeins of brightly-  
coloured silk, gave the demonstration bench  
of the chemical lecture theatre at the Man-  
chester University a somewhat bright  
appearance.

The usual chemical appliances were for  
the time being completely in the shade.

Behind the bench bearing this interest-  
ing assortment were Professor Arthur G.  
Green, who is famous throughout the world  
for his researches and discoveries in syn-  
thetic dyes, and Mr. Kenneth E. Saunders.  
These two gentlemen are the discoverers  
of a new class of dyestuffs known as iona-  
mines.

The occasion was a lecture by Professor  
Green before a joint meeting of the Society  
of Dyers and Colourists and the Society of  
the Chemical Industry.

The purpose of the lecture and demon-  
stration, which are of far-reaching impor-  
tance to the British dye-stuffs industry, was  
to show how a mixture of silk and cotton  
may be dyed two colours in a single dye-  
bath at the one operation.

The process is an entirely new one, and  
the range of the colours is wide.

The authors stated that their discovery  
of the ionamines in the research labora-  
tories of the British Dyestuffs Corpora-  
tion provided a means of readily dyeing  
acetate silk in any depth of shade, a pro-  
cess which had hitherto presented diffi-  
culties owing to this fibre's want of affinity  
for acidic and direct dyestuffs.

The colours produced—yellow, orange,  
and red—could be further changed to such  
shades as browns, reds, violets, blues, and  
blacks by the operations of diazotisation  
and development which are well known in  
cotton dyeing.

After a discussion of the nature of the  
physical problem presented in the dyeing of  
acetate silk, an account was given of the  
chemical constitution of the new dyestuffs  
and of the steps which had led to their  
discovery.

It was pointed out that the dyestuffs  
which could be produced were characterised  
by great fastness to washing and wear. In  
all cases their resistance to light was suffi-  
cient; in some cases it was remarkably good.

The new class of dyestuffs appeared to  
open great possibilities in the dyeing of  
mixed materials composed of acetate silk  
and cotton, acetate silk and linen, or  
acetate silk and viscose silk; for, by using  
a dye-bath containing a mixture of an iona-  
mine with a suitable direct cotton dye,  
each fibre would select its appropriate  
dye-stuff.

By this means either solid shades or  
two-colour effects might be produced as  
desired.

## THE SOMALIS.

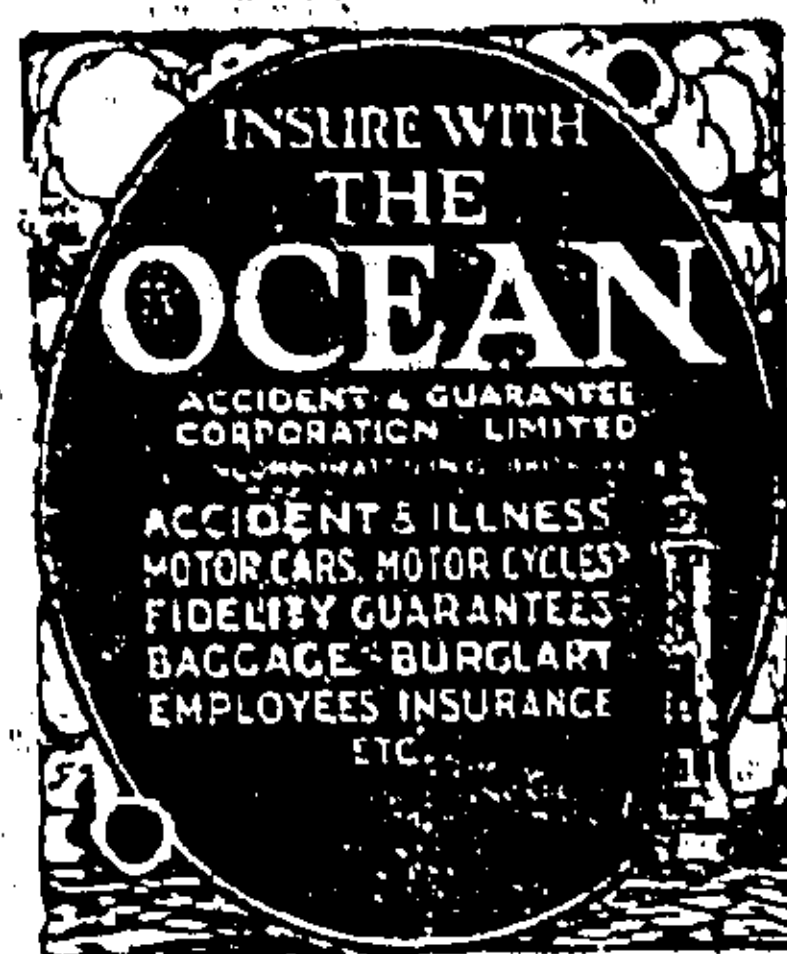
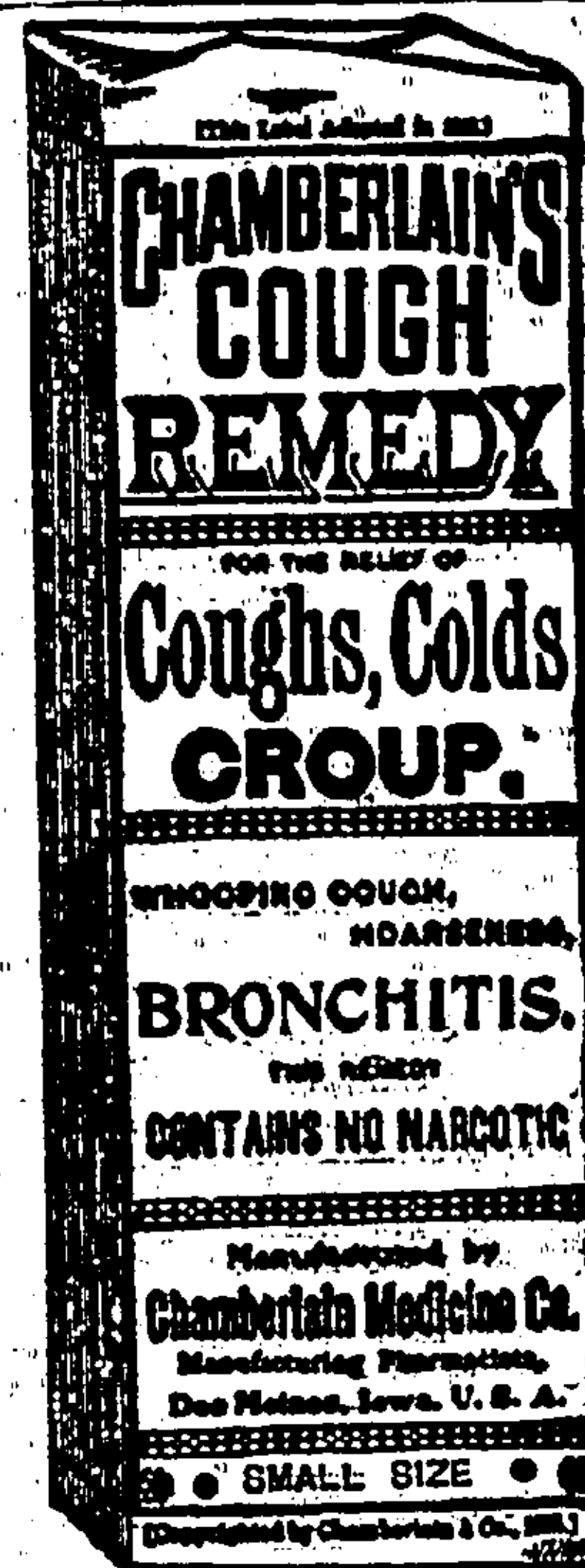
MARRIAGE CUSTOMS AND DOWRY  
QUESTIONS.

The Somali women are far more in-  
telligent, and as a whole better-looking  
than those of any of the other tribes in  
British East Africa, with the exception  
of the Arabs, who have made that country  
their home, writes a Jubaland correspondent  
of the *Morning Post*. They are usually tall  
and slender, having fine features, with  
straight noses and thin lips, and a darkish-  
brown complexion. Their hair is longer  
and finer than any of the Bantu  
women's hair, often reaching to be-  
low their shoulders. The young girls  
have their heads bare, sometimes bind-  
ing a fillet round their foreheads, but  
as soon as they are married they adopt a  
silk head-covering, called a "hagor." They  
wear clothes woven along the coast of  
Benadir, bright coloured and usually orange,  
red, or crimson. These cloths are wrapped  
round them in one piece, somewhat after  
the fashion of an Indian woman's "saree,"  
leaving the right arm free, and folded  
round the waist. They are very graceful  
in their movements, and walk with a free  
swing, almost amounting to a swagger,  
not found in other native women in that  
part of the world.

Some of the Somali customs in regard  
to marriage differ considerably from those  
of the surrounding tribes. When a man  
wishes to marry any particular young  
girl he visits the father in order to open  
negotiations. On his entry into the hut  
he is bidden to sit down, and a dish of  
hot "buni" is brought and shared between  
the two men. "Buni" consists of coffee  
beans, in parchment, which are roasted  
over the fire in fat, and brought steaming  
hot to the guests. He pours some of the  
melted fat, or butter, over his hands and  
smears his face, muttering, "Bismillah."  
His host does the same, and then each  
man picks out some of the hot roasted  
berries and eats them, spitting out the  
dry husk. The women of the house then  
bring little cups full of sweetened milk,  
in which the remaining berries are placed;  
and the concoction is eaten and drunk by  
both men. It is not until after this cere-  
mony that the guest broaches the subject  
of his call, and after great deal of  
haggling, the number of cattle, camels,  
or dollars he will have to give his future  
father-in-law is decided upon.

87-YEAR-OLD LADY IN U.S.A.  
SENATE

The special Session of Congress called by  
President Harding, primarily to consider  
the Ship "Schuyler" Bill, opened at  
Washington on November 20th. There was  
a mild sensation when Mrs. Felton, aged  
87, took her seat in the Senate, although  
her honorary appointment as successor to  
the late Senator Watson had been  
invalidated by the election of a successor  
on November 7th. The aged lady sat with  
her credentials in her lap, and announced  
that if they were not honoured she would  
make a speech from the floor of the House.  
This declaration was received with repeated  
cheers in the gallery, and Mrs. Felton there-  
upon kissed her friends. The settlement of  
this knotty legal problem was deferred by  
the quick adjournment of the Senate out of  
respect for the lady. Senator Watson  
Some leaders are inclined to make a  
precedent of the case, and allow Mrs. Felton  
to be present and sit for one day.—*Reuter.*

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STRAITS, JAVA, BURMA, CHINA, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST INDIES,  
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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY  
DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.  
(Under Contract with H.M. Government.)

| S.S.       | Tons   | From Hongkong (about) | Destination                      |
|------------|--------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| "NAGPORE"  | 5,307  | 13th Jan. 4 p.m.      | Singapore & Bombay.              |
| "SOUTAN"   | 6,710  | 26th Jan.             | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| "BARDINIA" | 6,890  | 24th Jan.             | Marseilles, London & Antwerp.    |
| "NELORE"   | 8,853  | 7th Feb.              | do.                              |
| "DELTA"    | 8,000  | 14th Feb.             | Mars., L'don, A'werp. & R'dam.   |
| "SICILIA"  | 8,000  | 14th Feb.             | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| "ETNA"     | 8,000  | 21st Feb.             | Mars., L'don, A'werp. & R'dam.   |
| "BANCA"    | 6,000  | 8th Mar.              | Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.     |
| "MORE"     | 11,000 | 7th Mar.              | Bombay, Mars., L'don, A'werp.    |
| "SOUHAN"   | 6,700  | 19th Mar.             | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| "KARIM"    | 8,000  | 21st Mar.             | Marseilles, London & Antwerp.    |
| "DONGOIA"  | 8,000  | 4th Apr.              | do.                              |
| "SICILIA"  | 8,000  | 13th Apr.             | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| "NANKIN"   | 7,000  | 18th Apr.             | Marseilles, London & Antwerp.    |
| "KARMALA"  | 8,000  | 2nd May               | do.                              |
| "KASGAR"   | 8,000  | 16th May              | do.                              |
| "WYANDAL"  | 7,000  | 30th May              | do.                              |
| "NOVAIA"   | 8,850  | 13th June             | do.                              |
| "DELTA"    | 8,000  | 27th June             | do.                              |
| "MALWA"    | 10,941 | 11th July             | do.                              |
| "DEVANHA"  | 8,000  | 25th July             | do.                              |

\* Will Call at Hamburg if sufficient independent offers.

## BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

|                 |       |           |                               |
|-----------------|-------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| "TANDA"         | 7,000 | 16th Jan. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |
| "GREGORY APCAR" | 4,650 | 30th Jan. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta. |

## EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

|              |        |           |                                                                      |
|--------------|--------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| "ST. ALBANS" | 45,000 | 31st Jan. | (Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne). |
|--------------|--------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|

Frequent connections from Australia with the following—  
 The Union S.S. Co's Steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, Vancouver, The P. & O. Royal Mail Steamers to London via Suez Canal. (San Francisco, etc.)  
 The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.  
 The New Zealand Shipping Co's Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

## SAILING TO SHANGHAI &amp; JAPAN.

|          |        |                |                                  |
|----------|--------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| "TAKADA" | 7,000  | 12th Jan. D.L. | Amoy, Yokohama & Kobe.           |
| "SOUHAN" | 6,700  | 13th Jan. D.L. | Shanghai only.                   |
| "DELTA"  | 8,000  | 13th Jan.      | Shanghai only.                   |
| "MORE"   | 11,000 | 25th Jan.      | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama. |

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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"ARQUY MARU" (Omni Marseilles) ... Thursday, 15th Feb.

BUENOS AIRES, RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS, DUBBAN &amp; CAPE TOWN via SAIGON &amp; SINGAPORE. PASSENGER SERVICE.

BOMBAY &amp; COLOMBO—REGULAR FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE via SINGAPORE.

"LUZON MARU" ... Friday, 13th Jan.

"CELESTES MARU" ... Monday, 22nd Jan.

SAIGON, BANGKOK &amp; SINGAPORE—Regular monthly Passenger Service.

"KISHU MARU" ... Thursday, 1st Feb.

CALCUTTA, SINGAPORE &amp; BANGKOK.

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE &amp; TACOMA—via Shanghai and Japan Ports. Taking cargo to OVERLAND PORTS U.S.A. &amp; CANADA—Passenger Service.

"ARIZONA MARU" ... Wednesday, 17th Jan.

NEW YORK via PANAMA—Regular monthly service via Japan Ports, San Francisco.

"ALASKA MARU" ... Monday, 22nd Jan.

JAPAN PORTS, Kobe, Yokohama.

"LONDON MARU" ... Monday, 22nd Jan.

KEELUNG via SWATOW &amp; AMOY—These Steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class passengers.

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TAKAO via SWATOW &amp; AMOY.

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**CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.**

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

| For                         | Steamer    | To Sail              |
|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| HAIPHONG                    | "TEAN"     | On 12th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN         | "SHANTUNG" | On 13th Jan. D.L.    |
| SHANGHAI                    | "SZECHUEN" | On 14th Jan. D.L.    |
| HAIKOW & BANGKOK            | "LINAN"    | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| SWATOW & SINGAPORE          | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN   | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| HAIPHONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| SWATOW & BANGKOK            | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| WAIKAWI & CHEFOO            | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| SWATOW & SINGAPORE          | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| SWATOW & AMOI               | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN         | "KWEIYANG" | On 14th Jan. 10 a.m. |

Excellent Saloon accommodation available, with Electric Fans fitted. Regular Schedule service four times weekly between Canton, Hongkong and Shanghai, leaving Hongkong Sundays (extending to Peking), Tuesdays and Saturdays (extending to Tientsin), and Thursdays (via Amoy). Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and North China ports. Passengers for Shanghai do not require to tranship at Woosung.

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|-----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| "TAIYUAN" | 12th Feb.                  | 17th Feb.                                              |

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S.S. "FIUME L" ... sailing on or about 13th January.

S.S. "PERSIA" ... sailing on or about 2nd February.

## FOR BRINDISI, VENICE &amp; TRIESTE.

S.S. "FIUME" ... sailing second half of January.

S.S. "PERSIA" ... sailing second half of February.

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From CALCUTTA to EUROPEAN PORTS via COLOMBO.

S.S. "UMSINGA" ... sailing about 10th February.

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S.S. "PRESIDENT PIERCE" ... Jan. 31st, 1923 ... Feb. 22nd, 1923

S.S. "PRESIDENT WILSON" ... Feb. 14th, 1923 ... Mar. 8th, 1923

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S.S. "PRESIDENT WILSON" ... Feb. 5th, 1923 ... Feb. 7th, 1923

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S.S. "LAKE FIELDING" ... Jan. 20th, 1923.

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S.S. "DEYDEN" ... Jan. 31st, 1923.

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## POST OFFICE NOTICE

## INWARD MAILS.

| FROM                                                                    | PER              | DATE       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
| SHANGHAI ...                                                            | Hupoh ...        | 18th inst. |
| U.S.A., JAPAN AND SHANGHAI ...                                          | Free Madison ... | 18th inst. |
| SHANGHAI ...                                                            | Yingchow ...     | 18th inst. |
| BOMBAY ...                                                              | Wassah Maru ...  | 18th inst. |
| Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, 14th Dec. & Parcel 8th Dec.) | Della ...        | 18th inst. |
| JAPAN ...                                                               | Yoshino Maru ... | 18th inst. |

## OUTWARD MAILS.

| FOR                                                                                                                                                              | PER              | DATE                                                                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Haiphong, Saigon, Mauritius, ...                                                                                                                                 | Tean ...         | Friday, 12th 8.30 A.M.                                                      |
| Straits, Ceylon, India via Dhanushkodi, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay and Aden ...                                                                 | Luson Maru ...   | 8.30 A.M.                                                                   |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...                                                                                                                                     | Hailong ...      | Noon                                                                        |
| Dairen, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C. due Victoria, B.C. about 8th Feb., 1923                                               | Tyndareus ...    | Registration 12.45 P.M.<br>Letters 1.30 P.M.                                |
| Saigon, Philippine Islands ...                                                                                                                                   | Prosper ...      | 2.00 P.M.                                                                   |
| Shanghai and Dairen ...                                                                                                                                          | Durban Maru ...  | 2.30 P.M.                                                                   |
| Shanghai ...                                                                                                                                                     | Soudap ...       | 6.00 P.M.                                                                   |
| Holow & Haiphong ...                                                                                                                                             | Lossan ...       | Saturday, 13th 9.30 A.M.                                                    |
| Straits, Bombay and Aden ...                                                                                                                                     | Nagpoor ...      | 9.30 P.M.                                                                   |
| Philippine Islands ...                                                                                                                                           | Free Madison ... | 9.30 P.M.                                                                   |
| Shanghai ...                                                                                                                                                     | Soudap ...       | 6.00 P.M.                                                                   |
| Holow & Bangkok ...                                                                                                                                              | Linan ...        | Sunday, 14th 9.00 A.M.                                                      |
| Swatow, Amoy and Keelung ...                                                                                                                                     | Amakusa Maru ... | 9.00 A.M.                                                                   |
| Swatow and Bangkok ...                                                                                                                                           | Kwaiyang ...     | Monday, 15th 9.00 A.M.                                                      |
| Straits and Egypt ...                                                                                                                                            | Theseus ...      | 2.30 P.M.                                                                   |
| Sandakan ...                                                                                                                                                     | Mausong ...      | Tuesday, 16th 11.00 A.M.                                                    |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...                                                                                                                                     | Hailong ...      | Noon                                                                        |
| Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marquis, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles due Marseilles, 17th Feb., 1923              | Kam Maru ...     | Wednesday 17th<br>Registration 8.45 A.M.<br>Letters 9.2 A.M.                |
| Philippine Islands, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island due Thursday Island 28th Jan. 1923                                                               | Yoshino Maru ... | Registration 8.30 A.M.<br>Letters 9.00 A.M.                                 |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ...                                                                                                                                     | Hailong ...      | Friday, 19th, 11.00 A.M.                                                    |
| Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marquis, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles due Marseilles, 24th Feb., 1923                 | Sardis ...       | Tuesday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.<br>Wednesday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.<br>Letters 9.00 A.M. |
| Haiphong, Saigon, Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marquis, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles due Marseilles, 2nd Mar. 1923 | Amboise ...      | Saturday, 27th, 12.45 P.M.<br>Letters 1.30 P.M.                             |
| Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marquis, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles due Marseilles, 3rd Mar., 1923               | Estor Maru ...   | Wednesday, 31st, 8.45 A.M.<br>Letters 9.30 A.M.                             |

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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|            |           |                                      |
|------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
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| "ELPENOOR" | 22ND JAN. | London, Hull, Rotterdam & Hamburg.   |
| "DIOMED"   | 29TH JAN. | London Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg. |
| "RHEXENOR" | 2ND FEB.  | Amsterdam & London                   |

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|           |           |                                         |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|
| "KERMUN"  | 20TH JAN. | Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow. |
| "CYCLOPS" | 1ST FEB.  | Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow. |
| "PELEUS"  | 20TH FEB. | Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow. |

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(VIA KOBE AND YOKOHAMA).

|               |           |                                |
|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| "TYNDAREUS"   | 12TH JAN. | Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver. |
| "PROTESILAUS" | 5TH FEB.  |                                |

## NEW YORK SERVICE

(VIA SUEZ OR PANAMA).

|            |           |           |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| "NINGCHOW" | 5TH FEB.  | via Suez. |
| "HYSON"    | 25TH FEB. | via Suez. |

## PASSENGER SERVICE

|             |           |                         |
|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| "TEIRESIAS" | 18TH JAN. | for Shanghai.           |
| "TEIRESIAS" | 12TH FEB. | for Singapore & London. |
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|---------------------------------|---------|
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| Bank Bill at 30 days sight ...  | 24 1/2  |
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| Bank Bill at 90 days sight ...  | 24 1/2  |
| On Paris—                       |         |
| Bank Bill on demand ...         | 750     |
| Credit, 6 months' sight ...     | 800     |
| On New York—                    |         |
| Bank Bill on demand ...         | 63 1/2  |
| Credit, at 60 days sight ...    | 64 1/2  |
| On Bombay—                      |         |
| Telegraphic Transfer ...        | 167     |
| Bank Bill on demand ...         | 167     |
| On Calcutta—                    |         |
| Telegraphic Transfer ...        | 167     |
| Bank Bill on demand ...         | 167     |
| On Shanghai—                    |         |
| Bank Bill at sight ...          | 100 1/2 |
| Private, 30 days' sight ...     | 100 1/2 |
| On Yokohama—On demand ...       | 103 1/2 |
| On Manila—On demand ...         | 103 1/2 |
| On Batavia—On demand ...        | 121     |
| On Rangoon—On demand ...        | 121     |
| On Hongkong—On demand ...       | 121     |
| On Hankow—On demand ...         | 121     |
| On Shanghai—On demand ...       | 121     |
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Sterling ... \$20,000,000  
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Hongkong, 8th January, 1923. [8.]

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N. C. WILSON, Acting Manager.  
Hongkong, January 17th, 1923. [11.]

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Subscribed Capital ... F. 100,000,000  
Reserve Fund ... F. 100,000,000  
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Capital (fully paid up) ... Yen 100,000,000  
Reserve Fund ... Yen 50,000,000  
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Hongkong, January 17th, 1923. [13.]

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Capital (fully paid up) ... Yen 100,000,000  
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Hongkong, January 17th, 1923. [15.]

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Paid-up Capital ... \$5,000,000.00  
Reserve Fund ... \$5,000,000.00DIRECTORS:  
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K. H. TONG FOI, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG, March 26th, 1922. [16.]

## THE TOKIO MITSUBISHI BANK, Limited.

Capital (fully paid up) ... Yen 100,000,000  
Reserve Fund ... Yen 50,000,000  
HEAD OFFICE: TOKYO.  
Branches and Agencies at: Batavia, Bencoolen, Hongkong, Kanton, London, Shanghai, Calcutta, Hankow, New York, Singapore, Dacca, Karachi, Peking, Rangoon, Suez, Tientsin, Yokohama.HONGKONG BRANCH:  
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Hongkong, January 17th, 1923. [17.]

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Hongkong, January 17th, 1923. [18.]

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Reserve Fund ... Yen 50,000,000  
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Capital Subscribed ... Yen 50,000,000  
Capital (Paid-up) ... Yen 50,000,000  
Reserve Funds ... Yen 12,500,000HEAD OFFICE—TAIPEI, FORMOSA.  
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S. KORDON, Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH: 8, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, 7th September, 1922.

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Paid-up Capital ... Frs 37,500,000.00  
Reserve Funds ... Frs 37,500,000.00

BRANCHES: Bangkok, Hongkong, Saigon, Shanghai, Calcutta, Hankow, New York, Singapore, Dacca, Karachi, Peking, Rangoon, Suez, Tientsin, Yokohama.

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Hongkong, January 17th, 1923. [20.]

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Hongkong, January 17th, 1923. [21.]